

EXHIBIT 1  
DATE 2/16/07  
HB 173

**GRIZZLY LIQUOR**

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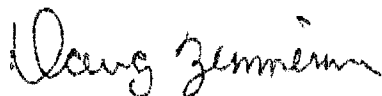
MISSOULA, MT. 59802

TO ALL HOUSE MEMBERS:

I have Grizzly Liquor in Missoula, Mt, State Liquor Store 171. I am writing in opposition to House Bill 173. This bill is being pushed by a couple of select people in the liquor store industry, and for three quarters of the stores it will mean a loss of money. This is a cost of 2.6 million dollars to the taxpayers over the next four years that benefits only 25 percent of the stores, at a time when we are trying to find funds in the General Fund.

I would greatly appreciate your help in killing this bill.

Sincerely,



Doug Zimmerman

2-14-07

**FAX COVER SHEET**

TO	House Appropriations Committee
COMPANY	
FAX NUMBER	14064444825
FROM	Brad Tande
DATE	2007-02-14 22:08:14 GMT
RE	House Bill 173

**COVER MESSAGE**

In regards to HB #173 that will be in Appropriations on Friday February 16th, I would appreciate a NO vote as I am against this bill that would have a negative financial impact on myself and other stores that can ill afford to lose any revenue.

Thank you  
Brad Tande  
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Poplar, MT 59255  
406-768-3461

Betty J Christman  
Box L Liquor & Gifts  
Hardin #37  
522 N Center Ave  
Hardin, MT 59034

February 14, 2007

To Whom It May Concern:

Regarding HB 173 in the House Appropriations Committee  
Friday, February 16, 2007

We are asking all Committee members to vote AGAINST HB173 at this time. We feel this will hurt as many Montana Business Owners as it will help. The Montana Liquor Store Owners are currently looking into new legislation that will take care of the current problem, without harming large numbers of Store Owners.

Thank you,



Betty J Christman

February 14, 2007

House of Representatives  
Appropriation Committee  
Montana State Capital  
Helena, MT 59601

ATTN: Appropriation Committee

RE: HOUSE BILL # 173

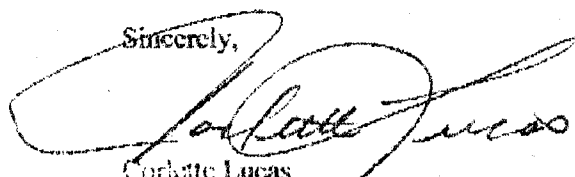
To The Honorable Representatives:

It has been brought to my attention as well as other small locally owned liquor stores that House Bill #173 is not in our best interest. After learning additional facts, this bill is unfair to the small liquor stores. Only a small percentage of the liquor stores in the state would benefit, and the balance would be unfairly penalized.

Please vote against this bill for the overall protection of the All liquor stores.

Thank you in advance for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,



Corlette Lucas  
Anaconda Liquor Store

Attention all legislators for Appropriations:

In reference to House Bill # 173 to be voted on Friday, February 16th, we would request all 19 voters to say NO to this bill.

This bill was not submitted in the interest of all existing liquor stores, in fact, it would hurt many business owners. We believe it would be better to rewrite and submit a bill that would be beneficial to all liquor stores rather than to just a select few.

Thank you for your consideration in this important matter.

Lolo State Agency #192  
Robin & Sue Hawkinson  
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**F A X****Spirits**

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To: State Legislature  
Fax number: 1-406-444-4825

From: LIQUOR STORE #8 LIVINGSTON  
Fax number: 1-406-222-1909

Date: 2/14/2007

Regarding:  
House Bill 173

Phone number for follow-up: GORDY ANN RICCI  
1-406-222-2820 STORE

**Comments:**

**I wish to recommend to our Legislature to vote no on House Bill 173. We feel that it is unfair condition to the small stores across the state and the loss of income of \$663,000.00 to the general fund.**

**Thank you,**

**Gordy Ann Ricci**

**204 Maple St**

**Livingston Mt**

**Store #8 Livingston**

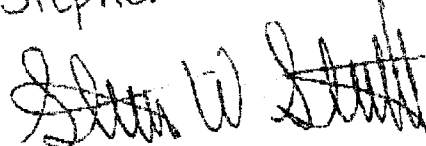
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## Boulder Cash #56

To all The Chairmembers of HB173

Being I am a Liquor Store owner in Boulder Montana, I am very much against House Bill 173. With my original understanding of this Bill The Liquor Store owners Assoc as one, were all suppose to benefit with resolutions to The weighted discounts. I Hope you will Chair This until Later date with a more workable solution.

Thank You!  
Stephen W Streib  


FROM :

FAX NO. :

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FROM : Eupeka Liquor Store

FAX NO. : 2977741

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February 14, 2007

I am writing in reference to House Bill 173 which will be in appropriation on Friday, February 16th. I would like to ask all committee members to vote no and to kill this bill. This bill is not fair to every store. There must be a way to benefit everyone, not help some and hurt others like this bill 173 will do.

Thank you for your attention to my concerns.

Sincerely,

  
Joe Johnson

Eupeka Liquor Store #60  
406-297-2741

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2/15/07

TO: House Appropriations Committee  
RE: HB173  
FROM: Geraldine Jovanovich, Owner, Liquor Store 31, Fort Benton, Mt.

This letter is being written to recommend a vote against HB173. In my opinion HB173 is not the answer for all the state's liquor stores, concerning weighted average discount ratio. This bill is only beneficial to some of the stores therefore it should not be considered.

*Geraldine Jovanovich*  
*Liquor store 31*  
*Fort Benton, MT*  
*59442*